

ASSESSMENT ROLL

<p>1897 – Assessment Roll</p>	<p>Multi-colored 10.5 x 8 x 0.3 inch book with dark red binding. The spine reads “Grant 1897” and the cover reads “Assessment Roll for the Town of Grant, Portage County, Wisconsin 1897.” The assessments were completed by Chas Laufer, Jr. Page 1 of the assessment roll is x’ed out. The most common “Value Fixed by Assessor” was \$40.00 for 40 acres. Rarely was an entry made under “Value Fixed by Board of Review.” On page 17, the value of property owned by H.T. Knuth was increased from \$35 to \$40 dollars. On page 39 a property owned by Cline Cradle and another owned by Frank Winkler was increased from \$40 to \$47 dollars. A decrease in value is recorded on page 45 for four parcels owned by Wm. Gaukle. They each decreased from \$40 to \$35 dollars. On page 63, value increased from \$35 to \$40 on property owned by Albert Klug. On page 67, Adoph Panter’s property decreased from \$50 to \$46 dollars. On page 69, two parcels owned by Earnst Knuppel decreased by a single dollar each. Beginning on page 77, personal property is listed including the horses; neat cattle; mules &amp; asses; sheep &amp; lambs; swine; wagons, carriages &amp; sleighs; gold &amp; silver watches (which no one owned); pianos, organs, &amp; melodeons; bank stock (which no one owned); merchants’ &amp; manufacturers’ stock (zero was listed for all names); average amount of money in possession (zero was listed for all names); logs, timber, railroad ties, &amp; telegraph poles; value of grain &amp; farm products (zero was listed for all names); value of leaf tobacco (zero was listed for all names); value of steamboats, vessels &amp; other water crafts (zero was listed for all names); value of other personal property (ranged from \$0 to \$122 with most less than \$15); libraries in excess of \$200 (none); and kitchen &amp; household furniture in excess of \$200 (none). Total value of personal property ranged from \$13 to \$291.</p>
<p>1932 – Assessment Roll</p>	<p>A black 14 X 8.5 x 0.85 inch book with dark red binding and titled “Assessment Roll for the Town of Grant – Portage County 1932.” The book begins with the “assessor’s affidavit” with Emil Eberhardt listed as the assessor and Fred Steinke the town clerk. It is dated the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1932. The total tax roll was \$7185.41. The total value of all property to be carried into local tax roll was \$493,050. School districts are listed and the valuation of each district listed. The total school levy was \$1585.78. There are county, town, and school district taxes, but no amount is recorded for state taxes. In that year 40 acres was valued at approximately \$280 and taxes on that land was \$4.38. The majority of the book lists real estate. Personal property is listed. Much of this was neat cattle, swine, and machinery. A note is slipped into the book listing amounts for mercantile and residential. The four merchants listed on the note are WHW, H Brown, Munroe, and F Worzella.</p>
<p>1934 – Assessment Roll</p>	<p>A black 19 x 8.3 x 0.25 inch book tan binding and titled “Assessment Roll for 1934 – Town of Grant – Portage County Drainage District.” Inside the front cover is a notice from the commissioners of the Portage County Drainage District certifying the “assessment for repairs” against lands and corporations that have not paid taxes. It is dated November 17, 1934. No names of owners are listed in the book, but property descriptions are noted and the amount of the assessment. Some amounts are as small as \$0.56, but many range between \$3.50 and \$4.00 dollars. The largest amount is \$5.03. There are two totals listed one \$1529.28 and the other \$1530.14. It appears as if the town owed the county this money.</p>
<p>1937 – Assessment Roll</p>	<p>A black __x_x_ inch book with dark red binding and titled “Assessment Roll Town of Grant, Portage County, 1937.” An Assessor’s Affidavit is on the inside front cover and is signed by Ernest Timm, Assessor. The total value of all property in 1937 was \$500,400. A total of \$9724.06 was collected in taxes. Slipped into the book is a paperback “Farm Plat Book” from 1961 costing \$3.00 and a “Portage County Farm Directory” from 1963 costing \$7.50.</p>